

AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP DEPARTMENT[21]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 163.1(1), the Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship hereby amends Chapter 65, "Animal and Livestock Importation," Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendment requires trichomoniasis testing of bulls brought into Iowa from out of state. The testing requirement does not apply to rodeo bulls, bulls being sent to slaughter, and virgin bulls under 24 months of age.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 1179C** on November 13, 2013. Comments in support of the amendment were received from the Iowa Cattlemen's Association, the Iowa Veterinary Medical Association and the Iowa Livestock Marketing Association. The adopted amendment is identical to that published under Notice.

After analysis and review of this rule making, no adverse impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 163.1 and 163.14.

This amendment will become effective February 12, 2014.

The following amendment is adopted.

Adopt the following **new** paragraph **65.4(3)"c"**:

c. Trichomoniasis test. A bull must have a negative trichomoniasis test within 30 days prior to importation and have no subsequent sexual exposure. The trichomoniasis test is either one negative polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test or three consecutive weekly negative trichomoniasis fetus cultures. This testing requirement does not apply if the bull is:

- (1) Under the age of 24 months and listed on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection as "virgin" or not having been sexually exposed to any female;
- (2) Being sent directly to slaughter or to an auction market and directly to slaughter; or
- (3) Temporarily in the state for a rodeo or exhibition and leaves after the event.

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